Persons killed/injured in a coal mine at Noglakote

3820. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether a numbr of persons were killed and many injured in a burning coal mine at Noglakote in the north-west of Jammu;

(b) if so, the details thereof according to the inquiry; if any, made by the Government into the incident; and

(c) the steps taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. An accident occurred at 1.15 P.M. on 3.3.97 at New Moghla coal mine at Noglakote of J & K Minerals Limited, District Rajouri, State of Jammu & Kashmir due to ignition of fire damp.

As a result of the accident, 10 workers lost their lives and 12 sustained injuries.

J & K Minerals Ltd. as well as Directorate General of Mines Safety (DGMS) have ordered investigation into the cause of accident.

(SOURCE : J & K Minerals Ltd.)

विद्युत उत्पादक एककों और इस्पात उत्पादक एककों पर बकाया राशि

3821. श्री राम जेठमलानी: क्या कोयला मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या विद्युत उत्पादक औद्योगिक एककों और इस्पात उत्पादक औद्योगिक एककों पर कोल इंडिया लि॰ का भारी मात्रा में धनराशि बकाया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो 31 मार्च, 1997 की स्थिति के अनुसार तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) उक्त धनराशि में से कितनी धनराशि विवादित है और उनका मसला हल करने के लिए अब तक क्या कदम उठाए गए हैं?

कोयला मंत्रालय की राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती कांति सिंह): (क) जी, हां। 31.3.1997 की स्थिति के अनुसार विद्युत तथा इस्पात क्षेत्रों की ओर कोल इंडिया लि॰ की देय बकाया राशि का ब्यौरा नीचे दर्शाया गया है:-

(करोड़ रुपए में)
(आंकड़े अनंतिम)

क्षेत्र	विवादित	अविवदित	जोड़
विद्युत	1653.55	1222.13	2875.68
इस्पात	454.87	44.09	498.96

(ग) 31.3.1997 की स्थिति के अनुसार विद्युत/इस्पात क्षेत्र की ओर विवादित देय राशि क्रमश: 1653.55 करोड़ रुपए तथा 454.87 करोड़ रुपए (अनंतिम) की थी। राज्य विद्युत बोर्डों/विद्युत उपयोगिताओं की ओर विवादित देय बकाया राशि का निपटारा किए जाने हेतु सरकार द्वारा अधिनिर्णायकों की नियुक्ति कर दी गई है।

Services rendered by Coal Mines in Andhra Pradesh

3822. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the number of coal mines being served by the Coal Mines Provident Fund Commissioner in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the details of services rendered by the Coal Mines Provident Fund Commissioner in Andhra Pradesh;

(c) the steps proposed to increase such services; and

(d) whether any new plans are being considered in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) The Coal Mines Provident Fund Commissioner serves 205 coal mines/registered units in Andhra Pradesh.

(b) The services rendered by Coal Mines Provident Fund Commissioner included maintenance of the Provident Fund accounts, grant of advances from the Provident Fund for various recognised purposes such as marriage of self/daughther/sons house building, etc., payment of Family Pension to dependents where admissible and payment of insurance money under CMDLIS to the dependant/legal heirs of those employees who were covered under the scheme.

(c) and (d) Family Pension Scheme is proposed to be replaced by a Coal Mines Pension Scheme, which will be funded by following the existing pattern of contributions